GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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MODERN AIRCRAFTS FOR TRAINING
ASHOK KUMAR PATEL

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to purchase modern aircrafts for training;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total amount likely to be spent thereon; and

(d) the time by which the decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a), (b), (c) and (d):- Directorate General of Civil Aviation (Dte.GCA) has taken stepsto procure 40 `Swati` Light Trainer aircraft from M/s. Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL), Hardwar to allot theseaircraft to flying clubs for training purposes. An amount of Rs.6.00 crores has been advanced to M/s. BHEL for this purpose and 17 `Swati` aircraft have been delivered so far.

Approval has also been given to the Dte.GCA toacquire one `Hansa-3` trainer aircraft, developed by M/s. National Aerospace Laboratories, Bangalore at anestimated cost of Rs.43.5 lakhs. Dte.GCA has plans to acquire more `Hansa-3` trainer aircraft, subject to availability of funds.